## Input Space Partitioning Demo

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#### Review of In-Class Exercises



#### Last Time

- Input Space Partitioning focuses on the input to the method
  - Partitions the input space based on different characteristics
  - Criteria combines characteristics (all pairs, base choice, etc.)
  - Resulting test requirements are mapped to individual test cases
- Today: use an example to further illustrate this



## Test Target

- Java's Iterator interface
  - https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/ java/util/Iterator.html
- Three methods:
  - boolean hasNext()
  - E next()
  - void remove() throws UnsupportedOperationException, IllegalStateException
- Note that there is also an implicit parameter the current element the iterator is pointing to

#### Iterator In Action

```
private static void printIterator(Iterator<String> iter)
   while(iter.hasNext()) {
        String element = (String) iter.next();
        System.out.print(element + "\n");
public static void main(String[] args)
                                                  Output:
   ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<>();
    list.add("apple");
                                                  apple
    list.add("pie");
                                                  pie
    Iterator iter = list.iterator();
                                                  pie
   printIterator(iter);
    Iterator iter2 = list.iterator();
    iter2.next();
    iter2.remove();
    printIterator(iter2);
```

### Demo

Iterator in action



## Input Domain Modeling

- Two approaches:
  - Interface-based and functionality-based
- Our task: come up with a few characteristics for input-domain testing the Iterator interface
  - Hint: use the Iterator state



#### One Set of Characteristics

- C1: iterator has more values (true/false)
- C2: iterator returns a non-null object (true/false)
- C3: does not throw UnsupportedOperationException (true/ false) — i.e., remove is supported and removes objects
- C4: does not throw IllegalStateException (true/false) i.e., remove constraint is satisfied

one set of possibilities, many others are possible



#### One Set of Characteristics

#### mapped to methods

- hasNext()
- next()
  - C1: iterator has more values (true/false)
  - C2: iterator returns a non-null object (true/false)
- remove()
  - C3: remove is supported and removes objects does not throw UnsupportedOperationException (true/false)
  - C4: remove constraint is satisfied does not throw IllegalStateException (true/false)



# Criteria to Combine Characteristics

- Our task: Think about which criteria we discussed makes the most sense
  - All Pairs; Pair-wise; T-wise; Base choice; Each choice

# Base Choice Coverage for C1-C4

- Base Case ("happy" case) TTTT
  - iterator has values & returns not null & remove is supported
     & constraint is satisfied
- Remaining combinations one criteria is false, while remainder stay true
  - TTTT; FTTT; TFTT; TTFT; TTTF
    - FTTT is not feasible



## Demo Implementation



#### Your Turn

- Add additional tests to:
  - cover cases that are poorly covered (e.g. FFTT?) and/or
  - refactor testing code



## Assignment 1

Discussion



#### References

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